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**FOR: AN AGENT FOR SUPPRESSING TRANSFER OF ODOR AND TASTE  
ORIGINATING FROM A DIACETAL, A DIACETAL COMPOSITION COMPRISING THE  
AGENT FOR SUPPRESSING TRANSFER OF ODOR AND TASTE, A POLYOLEFIN  
NUCLEATING AGENT COMPRISING**

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.97(b)**

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Sir:

The attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. One copy of each of these documents is attached.

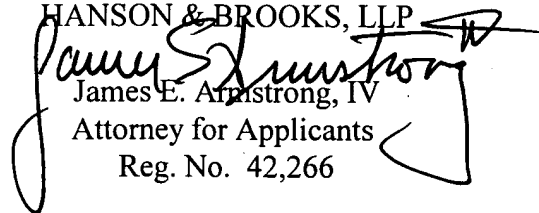
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The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340 for any fee which is deemed by the Patent and Trademark Office to be required to effect consideration of this statement.

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